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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITS SIXTH SESSION

Draft report

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ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The sixth session of the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy was held at United Nations Headquarters from 3 to __ February 1992. The Committee held _____ meetings (1st to ____).

2. The session was opened by the Director-General for Development and International Economic Cooperation.

B. Attendance

3. Representatives of the following States attended the session: Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, China, Colombia, Cuba, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, France, Germany, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania,

Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zambia.

4. The following United Nations organs and bodies were represented:

Centre for Science and Technology for Development

Department of Technical Cooperation for Development

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)

United Nations Development Programme

United Nations Environment Programme

United Nations University

5. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the World Meteorological Organization and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization were represented.

6. The International Chamber of Commerce, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category I, with the Economic and Social Council, was represented by an observer.

C. Election of officers

7. At its 1st and 2nd meetings, on 3 and 4 February, the Committee elected by acclamation the following officers:

Chairman: Mr. Eduardo Praselj (Venezuela)

Rapporteur: Mr. Anatoliy G. Koupriyan (Ukraine)

D. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

8. At its 1st meeting, on 3 February, the Committee adopted the following agenda, as contained in document A/AC.218/1992/1 and Corr.1:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

3. Implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action for the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy:

   (a) Monitoring the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action and the activities of the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in the field of new and renewable sources of energy;

   (b) Recommendation of policy guidelines for different organs, organizations and bodies within the United Nations system with regard to new and renewable sources of energy on the basis of the Nairobi Programme of Action;

   (c) Formulation and recommendations of action-oriented plans and programmes for carrying out the Nairobi Programme of Action in accordance with the priorities identified therein;

   (d) Inter-agency coordination for the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action;

   (e) Contribution to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development.

4. Promotion of the mobilization of financial resources required in the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action:

   (a) Existing channels for funding new and renewable sources of energy;

   (b) Progress achieved in mobilizing financial resources through consultative meetings.

5. Substantive themes selected for detailed consideration:

   (a) Contribution of new and renewable sources of energy to decentralized energy systems and to specific multi-purpose medium- to large-scale applications;

   (b) Promotion of rapid and effective transfer of technology in the field of new and renewable sources of energy to developing countries, including the role of joint ventures in the framework of North-South and South-South cooperation, in fulfilment of the goals and objectives of the Nairobi Programme of Action, with a view to taking due account of the potential contribution of those sources to sustainable and environmentally sound development in all countries.

6. Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Nairobi Programme of Action for the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy.

7. Medium-term planning in the field of development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy.

8. Provisional agenda for the seventh session of the Committee.

9. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its sixth session.

9. At the 2nd meeting, on 4 February, after having heard a statement by a representative of the Budget Division, the Committee adopted its organization of work, as contained in document A/AC.218/1992/L.2, with the proviso that every effort would be made to conclude the work of the Committee as early as possible.

E. Documentation

10. The Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Provisional agenda (A/AC.218/1992/1 and Corr.1);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the contribution of new and renewable sources of energy to decentralized energy systems and to specific multi-purpose medium- to large-scale applications (A/AC.218/1992/2);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the promotion of rapid and effective transfer of technology in new and renewable sources of energy to developing countries (A/AC.218/1992/3);

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations system in the contribution of new and renewable sources of energy to decentralized energy systems and to transfer of technology (A/AC.218/1992/4);

(e) Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Solar energy: a strategy in support of environment and development" (A/AC.218/1992/5 and Add.1);

(f) Report of the Secretary-General on the activities being carried out by the entities within the United Nations system in the field of new and renewable sources of energy (A/AC.218/1992/6);

(g) Report of the Secretary-General on the mobilization of financial resources and inter-agency coordination (A/AC.218/1992/7);

(h) Report of the Secretary-General on progress achieved in the follow-up of substantive themes selected for detailed consideration by the Committee at its fourth and fifth sessions (A/AC.218/1992/8);

(i) Report of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on New and Renewable Sources of Energy (A/AC.218/1992/9);

(j) Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation for the session (A/AC.218/1992/L.1);

(k) Draft organization of work (A/AC.218/1992/L.2);

(l) Draft report of the Committee on its sixth session (A/AC.218/1992/L.3 and Add.1- ___).